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Referred to Committee on BANKING

Introduced by: (BA)

## AN ACT CONCERNING TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE CONNECTICUT UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision (1) of section 36b-3 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 3 1, 2016):
- 4 (1) "Agent" means any individual, other than a broker-dealer, who 5 represents a broker-dealer or issuer in effecting or attempting to effect
- 6 purchases or sales of securities. "Agent" does not include an individual
- 7 who represents an issuer in (A) effecting transactions in a security
- 8 exempted by subdivision (1), (2), (3), (4), (6), (9), (10), (11) or (22) of
- 9 subsection (a) of section 36b-21, (B) effecting transactions exempted by
- subsection (b) of section 36b-21, except for transactions exempted by
- 11 subdivisions (10), (13) or (14) of said subsection, (C) effecting
- 12 transactions with existing employees, partners or directors of the
- 13 issuer if no commission or other remuneration is paid or given directly
- 14 or indirectly for soliciting any person in this state, or (D) effecting
- 15 transactions in any covered security, except for covered securities

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16 within the meaning of Sections 18(b)(2) or [18(b)(4)(D)] 18(b)(4)(E) of 17 the Securities Act of 1933. "Agent" does not include such other persons 18 not within the intent of this subdivision as the commissioner may by 19 regulation or order determine. A general partner, officer or director of 20 a broker-dealer or issuer, or a person occupying a similar status or 21 performing similar functions, is an agent only if such person otherwise 22 comes within this definition and any compensation that such person 23 receives is directly or indirectly related to purchases or sales of 24 securities.

Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 36b-6 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

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- (a) No person shall transact business in this state as a broker-dealer unless such person is registered under sections 36b-2 to 36b-34, inclusive. No person shall transact business in this state as a brokerdealer in contravention of a sanction that is currently effective imposed by the Securities and Exchange Commission or by a self-regulatory organization of which such person is a member if the sanction would prohibit such person from effecting transactions in securities in this state. No individual shall transact business as an agent in this state unless such individual is (1) registered as an agent of the broker-dealer or issuer whom such individual represents in transacting such business, or (2) an associated person who represents a broker-dealer in effecting transactions described in subdivisions [(2) and (3) of Section 15(h)] (3) and (4) of Section 15(i) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. No individual shall transact business in this state as an agent of a broker-dealer in contravention of a sanction that is currently effective imposed by the Securities and Exchange Commission or a selfregulatory organization of which the employing broker-dealer is a member if the sanction would prohibit the individual employed by such broker-dealer from effecting transactions in securities in this state.
- Sec. 3. Section 36b-14 of the general statutes is repealed and the

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48 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

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- (a) (1) Every registered investment adviser shall make, keep and preserve such accounts, correspondence, memoranda, papers, books and other records as the commissioner by regulation adopted, in accordance with chapter 54, or order prescribes. All such records shall be preserved for such period as the commissioner by regulation or order prescribes.
- 55 (2) Every investment adviser that is registered with the Securities 56 and Exchange Commission or excepted from the definition of 57 investment adviser under Section 202(a)(11) of the Investment 58 Advisers Act of 1940, and every registered broker-dealer, shall make, 59 keep and preserve such accounts, correspondence, memoranda, 60 papers, books and other records as the Securities and Exchange 61 Commission requires. All such records shall be preserved for such 62 period as the Securities and Exchange Commission requires.
- 63 (3) Broker-dealer records required to be maintained under 64 subdivision (2) of this subsection may be maintained in any form of 65 data storage acceptable under Section 17(a) of the Securities Exchange 66 Act of 1934 if they are readily accessible to the commissioner. 67 Investment adviser records required to be maintained under this 68 section may be stored on microfilm, microfiche or on an electronic data 69 processing system or similar system utilizing an internal memory 70 device provided that a printed copy of any such record is immediately 71 accessible.
  - (b) (1) Every registered investment adviser shall file such financial reports as the commissioner by regulation prescribes.
  - (2) Every investment adviser that is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or excepted from the definition of investment adviser under Section 202(a)(11) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, and, subject to Section [15(h)] 15(i) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, every registered broker-dealer shall

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file such financial reports as the commissioner by regulation prescribes, except that the commissioner shall not require the filing of financial reports that are not required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

- (c) If the information contained in any document filed with the commissioner under this section is or becomes inaccurate or incomplete in any material respect, the person making the filing shall promptly file a correcting amendment unless notification of the correction has been given under sections 36b-2 to 36b-34, inclusive.
- (d) All the records of a registered investment adviser and a registered broker-dealer referred to in subsection (a) of this section are subject at any time or from time to time to such reasonable periodic, special or other examinations by the commissioner, within or without this state, as the commissioner deems necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors. Every registered investment adviser and every registered broker-dealer shall keep such records open to examination by the commissioner and, upon the commissioner's request, shall provide copies of any such records to the commissioner. For the purpose of avoiding unnecessary duplication of examinations, the commissioner, insofar as the commissioner deems it practicable in administering this subsection, may cooperate with the securities administrators of other states, the Securities and Exchange Commission, and any self-regulatory organization.
- (e) Subject to Section [15(h)] 15(i) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, an agent may not have custody of funds or securities of a customer except under the supervision of a broker-dealer and an investment adviser agent may not have custody of funds or securities of a client except under the supervision of an investment adviser. Subject to Section [15(h)] 15(i) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the commissioner may, by regulation adopted, in accordance with chapter 54, or order, prohibit, limit or

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- impose conditions on a broker-dealer regarding custody of funds or
- 112 securities of a customer and on an investment adviser regarding
- custody of funds or securities of a client.
- Sec. 4. Subsection (e) of section 36b-21 of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
- 116 passage):
- (e) Any person who offers or sells a security that is a covered
- security under Section [18(b)(4)(D)] 18(b)(4)(E) of the Securities Act of
- 119 1933 shall file a notice with the commissioner within fifteen days after
- the first sale of such a security in this state. Such notice shall contain
- 121 such information as the commissioner may require and shall be
- 122 accompanied by a consent to service of process as required by
- 123 subsection (g) of section 36b-33 and a nonrefundable fee of one
- 124 hundred fifty dollars.
- Sec. 5. Subsection (d) of section 36b-31 of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 127 passage):
- (d) Subject to Section [15(h)] 15(i) of the Securities Exchange Act of
- 129 1934 and Section 222 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the
- commissioner may, by regulation or order, prescribe: (1) The form and
- content of financial statements required under sections 36b-2 to 36b-34,
- inclusive; (2) the circumstances under which consolidated financial
- 133 statements shall be filed; and (3) whether any required financial
- 134 statements shall be certified by independent certified public
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- accountants. All financial statements shall be prepared in accordance
- with generally accepted accounting principles.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2016	36b-3(1)
Sec. 2	from passage	36b-6(a)

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Sec. 3	from passage	36b-14
Sec. 4	from passage	36b-21(e)
Sec. 5	from passage	36b-31(d)

## Statement of Purpose:

To update for accuracy citations to the federal securities laws amended by the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act and other federal legislation.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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